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1. The Deutsches Zentrales Finanzamt (DZA - German Central Finance Office) came into existence on 1 April 1949 on orders issued by the SMA Karlshorst. The DZA is subordinate to the DMK Finance Division and is controlled by the latter. It is headed by Dr. Siegfried Neumann, a former departmental head of the DMK Finance Division. At the beginning of May 1949 it was still in the development stage and only occupied two rooms in the DMK offices.
2. Orders were given in April 1949 that budget estimates for the Länder of the Soviet Zone were to be submitted to the DMK Finance Division in future, and no longer to the SMA Finance Division. The DMK Finance Division was responsible for the approval of such estimates.

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